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SEXUAL ASSAULT SUSPECT IN CUSTODY

(San Diego) The San Diego Police Department announces the arrest of a subject in connection with two sexual assault investigations, one in University Heights and one in Hillcrest. Deandre Smith, 29, of San Diego, was arrested in North Park after being spotted in a car stolen during one of the sexual assaults.

Undercover detectives and uniformed patrol units were working the North Park, University Heights, and Hillcrest areas of San Diego watching for suspicious individuals that matched the description of the suspect wanted in two recent sexual assaults. A uniformed patrol unit on El Cajon Blvd. spotted the stolen car taken from one of the cases. They followed the vehicle to the 2400 block of Howard Street where the vehicle was stopped. Smith was taken into custody without incident. He was alone at the time of the arrest.

Smlth has been booked into the San Diego Central Jail on a probation violation. The investigation is ongoing.

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